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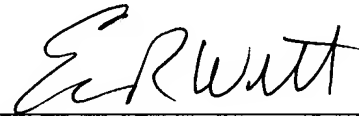
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2. Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-326364 published November 22, 2001 discloses: **PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To increase the productivity by effectively removing metal elements which accelerate the crystallization of an

amorphous silicon film in a thin film transistor. SOLUTION: The metal elements which accelerate the crystallization of amorphous silicon are effectively removed, or reduced, using a silicon film containing a XV group element such as phosphorus through a contact hole reaching the source and drain regions, to increase the productivity.

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